



# Foreign Affairs Handbook

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## VOLUME RE-ISSUANCE

### MAJOR CHANGES

1. The Office of IRM Programs and Services, Programs and Policies Division is responsible for the TAGS/Terms Handbook. Please direct all questions concerning the proper usage of TAGS, request for new TAGS, etc. to A/RPS/IPS/PP on (202) 261-8326.

2. Chapters 200 and 600 were not updated but have minor miscellaneous changes.

3. The following Subject TAGS have been added: ACKM.

4. The following Subject TAGS have been revised: AODE, ASCH.

5. The following Program (K) TAGS have been added: KACT, KCCP, KFSC, KHIV, KNEI, KPAO, KPAP.

6. The following Program (K) TAGS have been deleted: KALR, KAMR, KETG, KGOR, KLIP, KPDD, KPRP, KSMI, KY2K.

7. The following Program (K) TAGS have been revised: KBCT, KCRM, KEAI, KFLO, KFPC, KGLB, KIPR, KJUS, KMFO, KMSG, KNEP, KNET, KPAL, KPAM, KRAD, KRVC, KSTC, KTDB, KTEX, KWBG.

8. The following Geo-Political TAGS have been added: Clipperton Island (IP), Congo (Democratic Republic of the (CG)), Guam (GQ), Guernsey (GK), Jersey (JE), Man (Isle of (IM)), Mayotte (MF), Navassa Island (BQ), Vatican City (VT), and the West Bank (WE).

9. The following Geo-Political names have been deleted: Holy See, Yugoslavia, and Zaire.

10. The following Geo-Political countries have been revised: Burkina, China (Mainland), China (Taiwan), Congo, Jan Mayen & Svalbard, Korea (North), Korea (South), Macedonia, Micronesia, Palau, Samoa (American/Western), Tanzania, and the US Virgin Islands.

11. The following Titles and/or Acronyms have been added to Organizations: DCI (Defense Capabilities Initiative), EAPC (Euro-Atlantic Partnership Council), ESDI (European Security and Defense Identity), JCIC (Joint Compliance and Inspection Commission – START Treaty), MCG (Mediterranean Cooperation Group - NATO), NUC (NATO-Ukraine Commission), PFP (Partnership for Peace – NATO), PJC (Permanent Joint Council - NATO-Russia), PKFK (NATO-Led Peacekeeping Forces in Kosovo), SCC (Standing Consultative Commission – ABM Treaty), SFOR (NATO-Led Stabilization Force in Bosnia-Herzegovina), and SVC (Special Verification Commission – INF Treaty).

12. The following organizations have been deleted: ACDA (U.S. Arms Control and Disarmament Agency), NACC (North Atlantic Cooperation Council), and USIA (U.S. Information Agency).

13. The following Terms have been added: COMSEC (Communications Security), COMSEC Material Management, Creative Arts Exchange, Crypto, Cultural Specialists (Acuspecs), EKMS (Electronic Key Management System), Electronic SF-153 COMSEC Reports, Exchange Program Designation, Film Programs, FLEX Program, Fulbright Alumni Association, Fulbright American Studies Institute, Fulbright Commission, Fulbright Junior Staff Development Program (JSD), Fulbright Scholar in Residence Program, ICASS (International Cooperative Administrative Support Services), J Visa Program, J William Fulbright Foreign Scholarship Board, NES KEYMAT, OTAR (Over the Air Re-keying), Performing Arts Calendar, PKI (Public Key Infrastructure) Ron Brown Fellowship Program, U.S. Artists Abroad, U.S. Sponsored Schools, U.S. Studies, and Youth Exchanges.

14. The following Terms have been deleted: DST (Defense and Space Negotiations, FAAS (Foreign Affairs Administrative Support), NST (Nuclear and Space Arms Negotiations) , NTT (Nuclear Testing Talks).

15. The following Term has been revised: Grant, replace OCII with OIIP.

16. Chapter 700 – E.O. 12958 on Security Classification Guidance has been rewritten.

17. Revisions to the Handbook since the last update appear in bold Italics. The bold Italics will be removed the next time the material is updated. Only current changes will appear in Italics. Italics provide a historical record of changes.

18. Under the Foreign Affairs Reform and Restructuring Act of 1998, Public Law 105-277, the functions of the U.S. Information Agency related to international broadcasting are transferred to the Broadcasting Board of Governors. Accordingly, all provisions of the FAM previously applicable to USIA continue in effect with respect to the BBG until further notice.

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